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Minutes 06/14/2010

7:30PM TOWN HALL HEARING ROOM
 6/14/10

ATTENDEES:

McGaffigan*		Bayer*	Phelps*	Dunn*
DeCoursey	Connors*	Simmons*	Olszewski*	
Tosti*	Foskett*	Deyst*	Ronan*	
Ferrara	Franclemont	Jones*	Deshler*	
DuBois*	Howard*	Fanning*	Carman*	Turkall*

* Indicates present

VISITORS: Town Manager Brian Sullivan, Deputy Town Manager Adam Chapdelaine

YEAR END TRANSFERS: Members received Chapdelaine's spreadsheet and associated documentation from departments. The information had been distributed a week earlier by email. Sullivan & Chapdelaine answered questions. Most of the Fire Department's overrun will be covered by the ambulance revolving fund. This fund is used to pay for ALS service and has gradually built up over recent years. The schools withdrew their request after a recent review of receipts & bills showed their budget will be balanced at the end of the year. Chapdelaine's spreadsheet showed \$428,698 transferred to 11 accounts from the Reserve Fund. After a brief discussion, VOTED to increase the transfer to Snow&Ice by \$100k so that this money could be used if needed in FY11. 11-5. The negative votes favored a more transparent process.

VOTED to approve the other transfers as shown on Chapdelaine's spreadsheet. Unanimous.

VOTED to transfer the balance of the Reserve Fund, \$37,722, into the Buyout Fund bringing it to about \$100k. Unanimous.

MINUTEMAN CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE: Tosti reported that the committee unanimously approved a revised assessment procedure for capital appropriations. Each member town would pay 3% of the appropriation and the remaining 52% would be apportioned according to the number of students at the school during the previous 3 years. For the estimated cost of the project being considered, Arlington would pay about \$500k annually instead of \$800k by the current charter. Future meetings will each consider a particular charter provision.

AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER FROM RESERVE FUND: VOTED to allow the Chair to transfer up to \$10k & with the approval of the Vice Chairs Up to \$25k until September. Unanimous.

OTHER MATTERS: The pension bill is expected out of committee within days. The Long Range Financial Planning Committee will meet Fri AM. The provisions for joining GIC may be modified by the legislature but some of the provisions are questionable for Arlington.

COMMITTEE Breakup dinner is scheduled for Wed 6/23 in the Masons Temple

RESERVE FUND BALANCE \$0

Peter B Howard 6/16/10. Revised 9/19/10
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